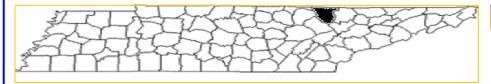
# The Status of Women in Campbell County



### STATUS OF WOMEN IN CAMPBELL COUNTY: AN OVERVIEW

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INDICATOR	DATA	COUNTY
		RANKING
		(of 95 Counties)
COMPOSITE EMPLOYMENT & EARNINGS INDEX	61.00	75
Women's Annual Earnings	\$19,138	82
Women's Earnings as a Percentage of Men's Earnings (Wage Gap)	71.5%	49
Women's Labor Force Participation Rate	33.4%	94
Female Unemployment Rate	5.9%	41
Women in Managerial or Professional Occupations	27.7%	39
COMPOSITE ECONOMIC AUTONOMY INDEX	71.63	90
Businesses that are Women-Owned (% of total)	23.0%	41
Women with a Four-Year College Degree (%)	7.0%	85
Women With a High School Diploma (%)	63.2%	81
Female High School Dropout Rate	12.3%	81
Women with any Kind of Health Insurance Coverage (%)	93.0%	32
Women Earning Incomes Below the Poverty Level (%)	24.1%	92
Single Female-Headed Households Living In Poverty (%)	14.1%	88
Adolescent Pregnancy Rate (Ages 10-19)	39.2	73

**Report Overview**: This publication on the Status of Women in Campbell County is part of a statewide publication of the Tennessee Economic Council on Women, *The Status of Women in Tennessee Counties, 2004*. The Economic Council on Women is a State agency created under TCA § 4-50-100, et seq. by the One Hundredth General Assembly in 1998 to address the economic needs of Tennessee women.

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Women have taken remarkable strides towards economic equality, from education to earnings to political participation. Women are now pursuing goals such as business ownership, leadership roles in their careers, and election to state and federal political office. However, obstacles still exist in the climb toward equality. Nation-wide, equal numbers of men and women are obtaining four-year college degrees; however, these gains have not translated into pay equity. The average college-educated woman working full time earns \$44,200 a year compared to \$61,800 for men in the same category. Women are still under-represented in many of the highest paying, fastest growing sectors of the economy. Helping women break into these traditionally male-dominated areas like computer science, engineering, mathematics and technology, as well as all skilled-labor positions, gives women tools for self-sufficiency and understanding of their personal capabilities, and these advances are good for the economy of our counties and of our state.

#### **Employment and Earnings**

The employment and earnings index includes data on women's annual earnings, the earnings gender gap, female labor force participation rate, the female unemployment rate, and the percent of women in managerial or professional occupations.

- Women in Campbell County earn, on average, \$7,000 less annually than their male counterparts. Women have median earnings of \$19,138, ranking Campbell 82nd among the 95 counties.
- A Ranking next to last among counties, women in Campbell County have only a 33.4% participation rate in the labor force. However, women still comprise 44.0% of the county's labor force.
- ♦ The female unemployment rate in Campbell County (5.9%) is slightly lower than the rate for all Tennessee women (6.2%), but both rates are higher than the Tennessee unemployment rate for both men and women which is 5.5%.
- Of working women in the county 27.7% are employed in managerial or professional occupations. 19.2% of all employed persons in the county work in such occupations.

#### **Economic Autonomy**

The economic autonomy index includes information on educational attainment, business ownership and general quality of life issues.

- ♦ Higher percentages of women than men have a high school diploma in the county. However, 7.0% of women have a four-year college degree which is lower than the percentage of all county residents (7.8%) with at least a bachelor's degree.
- ♦ Campbell ranks 92<sup>nd</sup> among counties for percent of women earning incomes below the poverty level, with over 24 percent of women earning wages below the poverty line.
- Though 18.4% of families in Campbell County live in poverty, when female-headed families with no husband present are considered the percentage rises to 39.6%, or more than 800 single, female-headed house-holds.
- ♦ Only one county commissioner is a women though women make up 52.6% of eligible voters and 51.8% of the county population.
- ♦ Women make up 44.0% of the workforce in the county and just 23.0% of businesses are owned by women. Women-owned businesses account for only 2.5% of the total sales and receipts of privately-owned firms in the county, and the majority of women-owned businesses have no employees besides the owner.

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		Campbell County	Rank of Camp- bell County	Highest Ranking County
Earnings	Median Annual Earnings for FT Females	\$19,138	82	Williamson: \$32,243
	Wage Gap	71.5%	49	Davidson: 82.1%
Employment	Female Labor Force Partici- pation Rate	33.4%	94	Rutherford: 50.9%
	Female Unemployment Rate	5.9%	41	Pickett: 1.5%
	Percent of Employed Females in Management, Prof., and Related Occupations	27.7%	39	Anderson: 44.6%
	Women Owned Business % of Total	23.0%	41	Moore: 63.3%
Education	% of Females with 4 Year Degree or Better	7.0%	85	Williamson: 39.5%
	% of Females with High School Diploma (or equiva- lency)	63.2%	81	Williamson: 90.6%
	Female Dropout Rate	12.3%	81	Pickett: 0.0%
Lifestyles	% of Women with any kind of Health Insurance Coverage	93.0%	32	Williamson: 100%
	% of Women Living Below Poverty Level Incomes	24.1%	92	Williamson: 5.4%
	% of all Female Headed Households with Children in Poverty	14.1%	88	Williamson: 2.5%
	Rate of Pregnancy of Girls Aged 10-19 per 1000	39.2	73	Williamson: 1.2%

### ABOUT THE COUNCIL AND THIS REPORT

Campbell County

The Status of Women in Tennessee Counties report offers an economic profile of women in each county of Tennessee and examines how women's rights and equality vary among the counties. The report presents data and overall rankings in two categories of women's economic status: employment and earnings and economic autonomy. Indicators of women's status in each category make up the composite rankings of the counties.

The employment and earnings section presents data on women's annual earnings, the earnings gender gap, female labor force participation rate, the female unemployment rate, and the percentage of women in managerial occupations.

The economic autonomy section includes information on the percentage of businesses owned by women, educational attainment levels, percentage of households headed by a single female, single female headed households living in poverty, percentage of women with health insurance, the high school dropout rate and the teen pregnancy rate.

The **Tennessee Economic Council on Women** was created in 1998 by the Tennessee General Assembly to assess Tennessee women's economic status. The Council develops and advocates solutions to address women's needs in order to help women achieve economic autonomy. In setting its priorities, the Council selects issues that are timely and likely to result in positive changes for women.

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Earnings and Employment				
Median Annual Earnings for Full Time Employed Females	U.S Census Bureau, 2000			
Wage Gap (Female Earnings as a Percentage of Earnings)	U.S Census Bureau, 2000			
Female Labor Force Participation Rate	U.S Census Bureau, 2000			
Female Unemployment Rate	U.S Census Bureau, 2000			
Percent of Employed Females in Management, Professional, and Related Occupations	U.S Census Bureau, 2000			
Economic Autonomy				
Women-owned Business, Percent of total	Economic Census, 1997			
Percent of Females w/4yr Degree or Better	U.S Census Bureau, 2000			
Percent of Females with a High School Diploma (or equivalency)	U.S Census Bureau, 2000			
Female Dropout Rate	U.S Census Bureau, 2000			
Percent of Women with Any Kind of Health Insurance Coverage	Tennessee Department of Health, 2002			
Percent of Women Living Below Poverty Level Incomes	U.S Census Bureau, 2000			
Percent of all Female Headed Households with Children in Poverty	U.S Census Bureau, 2000			
Rate of Pregnancy of Girls Aged 10-19 per 1000	Tennessee Department of Health, 2002			
Voter Demographics and Elected County Officials	National Association of Counties			